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TAGS: PEPR, PINR, MASS, IZ, ET
SUBJECT: RETURN VISIT BY ERITREAN LEADER

REF: BAGHDAD 139

1. ERITREAN DELEGATION HEADED BY AHMED NASSER ARRIVED
IN BAGHDAD FEBRUARY 14 FOR FULL DRESS TALKS WITH IRAQI
REGIME. PERHAPS SIGNIFICANTLY NASSER WAS DESCRIBED
BOTH AS PRESIDENT OF THE ERITREAN REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL
AND PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
ERITREAN LIBERATION FRONT.

2. TARIQ AZIZ, REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND COUNCIL MEMBER
AND SADDAM HUSSEIN INTIMATE, HEADED IRAQI DELEGATION
FOR TALKS. ACROSS THE TABLE WITH AHMED NASSER WERE
FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS (PHONETIC FROM ARABIC):
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ABDULLAH SULEIMAN, CHIEF OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OFFICE
IN ERITREAN REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL, SALIH AYAI, DIRECTOR
OF FOREIGN RELATIONS AND YOHANNAS ZEE MARYAM,
DIRECTOR OF THE ELF OFFICE IN BAGHDAD.

3. AHMED NASSER STATED UPON ARRIVAL HIS APPRECIATION FOR IRAQI
SUPPORT. TARIQ AZIZ ANNOUNCED, FOLLOWING TALKS ON FEBRUARY

15, THAT BAATH PARTY AND REVOLUTION IN IRAQ WOULD CONTINUE ITS SUPPORT FOR ERITREAN REVOLUTION UNTIL IT ACHIEVED VICTORY.

4. COMMENT: IRAQI MEDIA IS GIVING UNUSUALLY PROMINENT PLAY TO THIS VISIT WHICH FOLLOWS AHMED NASSER'S LAST TRIP HERE BY ONLY LESS THAN ONE MONTH. TARIQ AZIZ WAS SPEAKING IN HIS CAPACITY AS MEMBER OF BAATH NATIONAL COMMAND, WHERE HE HAS CHARGE OF RELATIONS WITH LIBERATION GROUPS, BUT NO ONE HERE DOUBTS THAT HE IS ALSO AN AUTHORITATIVE SPOKESMAN FOR IRAQI STATE.
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